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In re application of

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DEVICE FOR TREATING A SURFACE OF A SUBSTRATE, AND A PLASMA SOURCE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the accompanying Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) mailed May 20, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

An $\mbox{\bf Appendix}$ is attached following the signature page of this paper.